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Director of Economic Research MEMORANDUM FOR:

Research on Soviet Motor Vehicle Use SUBJECT

in Support of Trade Control Policy

OSR is prepared to participate in a joint study with OER seeking to estimate inventories of Soviet civilian and military motor vehicles. will be the responsible OSR officer

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working with

of your Office.

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Director

Strategic Research

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In surveying our capabilities on this subject, we find that useful data and analysis are available concerning Soviet ground force motor vehicle inventories and requirements. We are lacking data concerning other Soviet forces but shall investigate whether reasonable estimates can be made in those In developing the data now lacking, there may be some problems caused by existing higher priority demands on the Imagery Analysis Service.

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Looking further ahead, I suggest that Mr. also map out a long range plan for obtaining the necessary intelligence and performing the necessary analysis to improve, refine and update the estimates we develop on Soviet motor vehicle holdings during the immediate effort.

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